

REMARKS

Summary of Office Action

Claims 26, 28, 29, 31, 32, 37 and 40 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Seo (US 2002/0057565) in view of Shi et al. (US 5,811,177).

Claims 35, 36, 38, 39, 41 and 42 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Seo, Shi et al. and further in view of Gledhill et al. (US 6,180,176).

Summary of Amendment

Claims 26, 31 and 32 have been amended. No new matter has been added. Accordingly, claims 26, 28, 29, 31, 32 and 35-42 are currently pending for consideration.

The Rejection Under 35 U.S.C §103(a)

In the Office Action, Claims 26, 28, 29, 31, 32, 37 and 40 are rejected under 35 USC 103 (a) as being unpatentable over Seo in view of Shi et al. Independent Claims 26, 31 and 32 have been amended.

The rejection of claim 26 is respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested. Claim 26 is allowable over the cited references in that claim 26 recite a combination of elements including, for example, “a heat-exhausting layer formed of a metal thin film and directly formed on the inner side of the seal cover plate.” Seo does not disclose an element corresponding to the heat-exhausting layer recited claim 26. The examiner asserts that Shi et al. discloses a metal thin film layer 26 under the seal cover plate. However, the metal thin film layer 26 is a low permeability inorganic layer and coated or covered with a thermal coefficient matching layer 24

on the substrate 10(see col. 3, line 40-62). That is, the metal thin film layer 26 is directly formed on the thermal coefficient matching layer 24 provided on a substrate 10 to forms a passivation element composed of a layer of stable metal 20, a buffer layer 22, the thermal coefficient matching layer 24, the metal thin film layer 26 and an epoxy encapsulant 28. However, the heat-exhausting layer of claimed invention is not for preventing permeation of oxygen and moisture but for exhausting heat generated from a device. Therefore, Seo and Shi et al., whether taken singly or in any combination, fail to teach or suggest at least these features of the claimed invention.

The rejection of claims 31 and 32 are respectfully traversed and reconsideration is requested. Claims 31 and 32 are allowable over the cited references in that claims 31 and 32 recite a combination of elements including, for example, “a heat-exhausting layer formed of a metal thin film and directly formed on the inner side of the seal cover plate.” As above mentioned, Seo and Shi et al., whether taken singly or in any combination, fail to teach or suggest at least these features of the claimed invention.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to pass this application to issue.

CONCLUSION

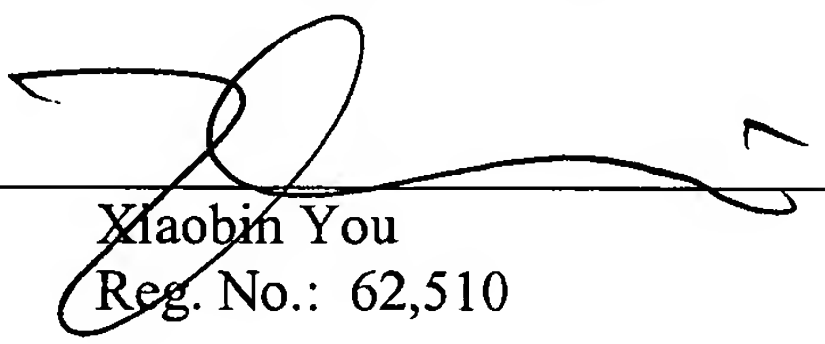
In view of the foregoing, it is believed that all the pending claims are now in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner feel that there are any issues outstanding after consideration of the response, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' undersigned representative to expedite prosecution.

If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted

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